House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice

Minutes of Meeting 2018 Regular Session April 12, 2018

I. CALL TO ORDER

Representative Sherman Q. Mack, chairman of the House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice, called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m. in Room 6, in the state capitol in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

II. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Representative Sherman Q. Mack, chairman

Representative Tony Bacala

Representative John H. Bagneris

Representative Raymond J. Crews

Representative Stephen C. Dwight

Representative Randal L. Gaines

Representative Lowell C. "Chris" Hazel

Representative Valarie Hodges

Representative Frank A. Howard

Representative Edward C. "Ted" James, II

Representative Terry C. Landry, Sr.

Representative C. Denise Marcelle

Representative Joseph A. Marino, III

Representative Nicholas Muscarello, Jr.

Representative Barbara M. Norton

Representative Steve E. Pylant, vice chairman

Representative John M. Stefanski

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Representative Barbara W. Carpenter

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Kelly C. Fogleman, attorney Robert A. Singletary, attorney Alicia Spivey, secretary

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES PRESENT:

Janet Anthony, sergeant at arms Jordan Zeringue, clerk Madeleine Murphy, clerk Desiree Cotton, clerk

III. DISCUSSION OF LEGISLATION

House Bill No. 613 by Representative Gaines

Representative Gaines presented House Bill No. 613, which provides relative to the determination of financial hardship from financial obligations imposed upon a defendant.

Sheriff Craig Weber, Lafourche Parish Sheriff's Office, 200 Canal Boulevard, Thibodaux, LA 70301, (985) 438-9481, spoke in support of House Bill No. 613.

Representative Pylant in the chair.

Representative Mack in the chair.

On behalf of Representative Gaines, Representative Mack offered an amendment to change the effective date of proposed law from August 1, 2018, to August 1, 2019. Representative Mack offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendment. Without objection, the amendment was adopted by a vote of 16 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Mack, Bacala, Bagneris, Crews, Dwight, Gaines, Hazel, Hodges, Howard, James, Terry Landry, Marino, Muscarello, Norton, Pylant, and Stefanski voted yea.

Judge Bob Morrison, Louisiana District Judges Association, P.O. Box 788, Amite, LA 70422, (985) 748-9445, spoke for information only on House Bill No. 613

Sarah Omojola, Southern Poverty Law Center, 201 Canal Street, New Orleans, LA 70170, no number provided, spoke in support of House Bill No. 613.

Representative Mack offered a motion to voluntarily defer action on House Bill No. 613. Without objection, action on House Bill No. 613 was voluntarily deferred by a vote of 16 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Mack, Bacala, Bagneris, Crews, Dwight, Gaines, Hazel, Hodges, Howard, James, Terry Landry, Marino, Muscarello, Norton, Pylant, and Stefanski voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 10 in support and 8 in opposition. Witness cards are included in committee records.

House Bill No. 61 by Representative Dwight

Representative Dwight offered a motion to voluntarily defer action on House Bill No. 61, which provides relative to applications for post-conviction relief filed by persons who are sentenced to death. Without objection, action on House Bill No. 61 was voluntarily deferred by a vote of 14 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Mack, Bacala, Bagneris, Crews, Dwight, Gaines, Hazel, Hodges, Howard, James, Marino, Muscarello, Pylant, and Stefanski voted yea.

House Bill No. 62 by Representative Dwight

Representative Dwight presented House Bill No. 62, which provides relative to a defendant's motion for a speedy trial and the period of time within which trial is required to commence.

Loren Lampert, Calcasieu Parish District Attorney's Office, P. O. Box 3206, Lake Charles, LA 70602, (337) 437-3065, spoke in support of House Bill No. 62.

James T. Dixon, Jr., Louisiana Public Defender Board, 301 Main Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70825, (225) 219-9305, spoke for information only on House Bill No. 62.

Representative Marino offered amendments to:

- (1) After a motion for a speedy trial has been filed by the defendant, if the defendant files any subsequent motion which requires a contradictory hearing, authorize, instead of require, the court to suspend or dismiss the pending speedy trial motion.
- (2) Provide that the period of time within which the trials required to commence may, instead of shall, be suspended from the time that the subsequent motion is filed by the defendant until the court rules upon such motion.
- (3) Remove the provision which provided that in no case shall the state have less than one year after the court's ruling on the subsequent motion to commence the trial.

Representative Marino offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 13 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Mack, Bacala, Bagneris, Dwight, Gaines, Hazel, James, Terry Landry, Marcelle, Marino, Muscarello, Norton, and Stefanski voted yea.

Representative Mack offered a motion to report House Bill No. 62 with amendments, to which Representative James objected. The secretary called the roll, and House Bill No. 62 was reported with amendments by a vote of 8 yeas and 6 nays. Representatives Mack, Bacala, Dwight, Hazel, Howard, Marino, Muscarello, and Stefanski voted yea. Representatives Bagneris, Gaines, James, Terry Landry, Marcelle, and Norton voted nay.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 10 in support, 9 in opposition, and 1 for information only. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

House Bill No. 452 by Representative Dwight

Representative Dwight presented House Bill No. 452, which provides relative to administrative sanctions.

Loren Lampert, Calcasieu Parish District Attorney's Office, P. O. Box 3206, Lake Charles, LA 70602, (337) 437-3065, spoke in support of House Bill No. 452.

Pete Fremin, Director of Probation and Parole, 504 Mayflower Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, no number provided, spoke for information only on House Bill No. 452.

Judge Bob Morrison, Louisiana District Judges Association, P.O. Box 788, Amite, LA 70422, (985) 748-9445, spoke for information only on House Bill No. 452.

Gary Meize, 755 Arlington Avenue, Baton Rouge, LA 70806, (225) 508-2500, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 452.

Representative Mack offered a motion to report House Bill No. 452 favorably, to which Representative James objected. The secretary called the roll, and House Bill No. 452 was reported favorably by a vote of 10 yeas and 6 nays. Representatives Mack, Bacala, Crews, Dwight, Hazel, Hodges, Howard, Marino, Muscarello, and Pylant voted yea. Representatives Bagneris, Gaines, James, Terry Landry, Marcelle, and Norton voted nay.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 9 in support, 9 in opposition, and 1 for information only. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

House Bill No. 81 by Representative Smith

This is a continuation of the discussion on House Bill No. 81 from a meeting held on April 11, 2018. Please check for the prior action to complete the record of discussion and motions on House Bill No. 81.

Representative Smith presented House Bill No. 81, which provides relative to battery of a dating partner, domestic abuse, and uniform abuse prevention orders.

On behalf of Representative Smith, Representative Mack offered an amendment in the form of a substitute bill. Representative Mack offered a motion to adopt the substitute bill. Without objection, the amendment was adopted by a vote of 16 years and 0 nays. Representatives Mack, Bacala,

Bagneris, Crews, Dwight, Gaines, Hodges, Howard, James, Terry Landry, Marcelle, Marino, Muscarello, Norton, Pylant, and Stefanski voted yea.

Kim Sport, United Way of Southeast Louisiana, 2515 Canal Street, New Orleans, LA 70119, (504) 827-6823, spoke in support of House Bill No. 81.

Representative Marcelle offered a motion to report House Bill No. 81 by substitute. Without objection, House Bill No. 81 was reported by substitute by a vote of 14 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Mack, Bacala, Bagneris, Crews, Gaines, Howard, James, Terry Landry, Marcelle, Marino, Muscarello, Norton, Pylant, and Stefanski voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 23 in support. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

House Bill No. 702 by Representative Bouie

Representative Bouie presented House Bill No. 702, which adds former members of the legislature to the list of persons who are excepted from the crime of illegal carrying of weapons.

Representative Norton offered a motion to report House Bill No. 702 favorably. Without objection, House Bill No. 702 was reported favorably by a vote of 14 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Mack, Bacala, Bagneris, Crews, Gaines, Howard, James, Terry Landry, Marcelle, Marino, Muscarello, Norton, Pylant, and Stefanski voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 2 in opposition. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

House Bill No. 357 by Representative Marcelle

Representative Marcelle presented House Bill No. 357, which prohibits a person convicted of a hate crime from possessing a firearm or carrying a concealed weapon.

Victoria Coy, LVRC, 323 Tricou Street, New Orleans, LA 70117, no number provided, spoke in support of House Bill No. 357.

Representative Muscarello offered an amendment to limit the application of proposed law to person convicted of a hate crime whose underlying offense for the hate crime is a felony. Representative Muscarello offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendment. Without objection, the amendment was adopted by a vote of 14 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Mack, Bacala, Bagneris, Crews, Dwight, Gaines, Hazel, Howard, Terry Landry, Marcelle, Marino, Muscarello, Pylant, and Stefanski voted vea.

Representative Norton offered a motion to report House Bill No. 357 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 357 was reported with amendments by a vote of 15 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Mack, Bacala, Bagneris, Crews, Dwight, Gaines, Hazel, Hodges, Howard, Terry Landry, Marcelle, Muscarello, Norton, Pylant, and Stefanski voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 11 in support. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

House Bill No. 295 by Representative Bacala

Representative Bacala offered a motion to voluntarily defer action on House Bill No. 295, which provides relative to grounds for a mistrial. Without objection, action on House Bill No. 295 was voluntarily deferred by a vote of 15 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Mack, Bacala, Bagneris, Crews, Dwight, Gaines, Hazel, Hodges, Howard, Terry Landry, Marcelle, Muscarello, Norton, Pylant, and Stefanski voted yea.

House Bill No. 249 by Representative Bacala

Representative Bacala presented House Bill No. 249, which provides relative to the application of the habitual offender law.

Jody Fortunato, Louisiana District Attorneys Association, 200 Derbigny Street, Gretna, LA 70053, (504) 368-1020, spoke in support of House Bill No. 249.

Pat Trahan, LPA, 1108 South Larriviere Road, Youngsville, LA 70592, (337) 296-4208, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 249.

James T. Dixon Jr., Louisiana Public Defender Board, 301 Main Street, Suite 700, Baton Rouge, LA 70825, (225) 319-9305, spoke for information only on House Bill No. 249.

Representative Bacala offered a motion to report House Bill No. 249 favorably, to which Representative Terry Landry objected. The secretary called the roll, and the motion failed to pass by a vote of 7 yeas and 8 nays. Representatives Mack, Bacala, Crews, Hazel, Hodges, Howard, and Pylant voted yea. Representatives Bagneris, Gaines, James, Terry Landry, Marcelle, Marino, Muscarello, and Norton voted nay.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 11 in support and 10 in opposition. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

House Bill No. 253 by Representative Connick

On behalf of Representative Connick, Representative Mack offered a motion to voluntarily defer action on House Bill No. 253, which provides relative to the application of the habitual offender law. Without objection, action on House Bill No. 253 was voluntarily deferred by a vote of 15 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Mack, Bacala, Bagneris, Crews, Gaines, Hazel, Hodges, Howard, James, Terry Landry, Marcelle, Marino, Muscarello, Norton, and Pylant voted yea.

House Bill No. 252 by Representative Connick

Representative Connick presented House Bill No. 252, which provides for venue for the prosecution of certain crimes.

Representative Marino offered an amendment to specify that venue for the crime of accessory after the fact, when based upon the location of any act or element constituting the basis for the offense occurred, shall be in the parish where such act or element occurred. Representative Marino offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendment. Without objection, the amendment was adopted by a vote of 15 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Mack, Bacala, Bagneris, Crews, Gaines, Hazel, Hodges, Howard, James, Terry Landry, Marcelle, Marino, Muscarello, Norton, and Pylant voted yea.

Representative Mack offered a motion to report House Bill No. 252 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 252 was reported with amendments by a vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Mack, Bagneris, Crews, Gaines, Hazel, Hodges, Howard, Marino, Muscarello, and Pylant voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 11 in support. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

House Bill No. 762 by Representative Hilferty

On behalf of Representative Hilfery, Representative Mack offered a motion to voluntarily defer action on House Bill No. 762, which provides relative to persons convicted of certain terrorism offenses. Without objection, action on House Bill No. 762 was voluntarily deferred by a vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Mack, Bagneris, Crews, Gaines, Hazel, Hodges, Howard, Marino, Muscarello, and Pylant voted yea.

House Bill No. 567 by Representative Hilferty

Representative Hilferty presented House Bill No. 567, which provides relative to searches of persons placed on probation or parole.

On behalf of Representative Hilferty, Representative Mack offered amendments to:

- (1) Provide that the search of the person placed on probation may be conducted by either the probation or parole officer assigned to the defendant or by any probation or parole officer who is subsequently assigned or directed by the Department of Public Safety and Corrections to supervise the person, whether the assignment or directive is temporary or permanent.
- (2) Restore the present law provisions which require the probation or parole officer to have reasonable suspicion to believe that the person on probation is engaged in criminal activity in order to conduct the search.

Representative Mack offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Mack, Bagneris, Crews, Gaines, Hazel, Hodges, Howard, Terry Landry, Marino, Muscarello, and Pylant voted yea.

Christopher Bowman, Orleans District Attorney's Office, 619 South White Street, New Orleans, LA 70119, (504) 822-2114, spoke in support of House Bill No. 567.

James T. Dixon, Jr., Louisiana Public Defender Board, 301 Main Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70825, (225) 219-9305, spoke for information only on House Bill No. 567.

Pete Adams, Louisiana District Attorneys Association, 1645 Nicholson Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, (225) 343-0171, spoke for information only on House Bill No. 567.

Representative Marcelle offered an amendment to restore the present law provision which requires the person on probation to agree to visits at his residence or place of employment by the probation and parole officer at any time. Representative Marcelle offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendment. Without objection, the amendment was adopted by a vote of 12 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Mack, Dwight, Gaines, Hodges, Howard, James, Terry Landry, Marcelle, Marino, Norton, Pylant, and Stefanski voted yea.

Representative Pylant offered a motion to report House Bill No. 567 with amendments, to which Representative Terry Landry objected. The secretary called the roll, and House Bill No. 567 was reported with amendments by a vote of 8 yeas and 5 nays. Representatives Bacala, Crews, Dwight, Hodges, Howard, Marino, Pylant, and Stefanski voted yea. Representatives Gaines, James, Terry Landry, Marcelle, and Norton voted nay.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 6 in support and 12 in opposition. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

House Bill No. 834 by Representative Marcelle

Representative Marcelle and Representative Hunter presented House Bill No. 834, which provides for the prosecution of officer-involved incidents.

Myra Richardson, The Wave, 4333 East Maribel Court, Baton Rouge, LA 70812, (225) 747-6474, spoke in support of House Bill No. 834.

Bradley Brown, 7025 Perimeter Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70812, no number provided, spoke in support of House Bill No. 834.

Michael McClanahan, Statewide NAACP President, 3313 Government Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70806, (225) 287-4673, spoke in support of House Bill No. 834.

Eugene Collins, 17752 Macon Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70817, (225) 288-9589, spoke in support of House Bill No. 834.

Pete Adams, Louisiana District Attorneys Association, 1645 Nicholson Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, (225) 343-0171, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 834.

John Belton, Louisiana District Attorneys Association, 138 Griffin Road, Ruston, LA 71270, (318) 680-6904, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 834.

Representative Marcelle offered a motion to voluntarily defer action on House Bill No. 834. Without objection, action on House Bill No. 834 was voluntarily deferred by a vote of 17 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Mack, Bacala, Bagneris, Crews, Dwight, Gaines, Hazel, Hodges, Howard, James, Terry Landry, Marcelle, Marino, Muscarello, Norton, Pylant, and Stefanski voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 17 in support and 17 in opposition. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

House Bill No. 630 by Representative Hunter

On behalf of Representative Hunter, Representative Mack offered a motion to voluntarily defer action on House Bill No. 630, which provides relative to the use of debt bondage to coerce a person to provide services or labor. Without objection, action on House Bill No. 630 was voluntarily deferred by a vote of 16 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Mack, Bacala, Bagneris, Crews, Dwight, Gaines, Hazel, Hodges, Howard, James, Terry Landry, Marcelle, Muscarello, Norton, Pylant, and Stefanski voted yea.

House Bill No. 631 by Representative Hunter

On behalf of Representative Hunter, Representative Mack offered a motion to voluntarily defer action on House Bill No. 631, which provides that a recommendation for clemency by the Board of Pardons does not expire upon the expiration of a governor's term in office. Without objection, action on House Bill No. 631 was voluntarily deferred by a vote of 14 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Mack, Bacala, Bagneris, Crews, Dwight, Gaines, Hazel, Hodges, Howard, James, Muscarello, Norton, Pylant, and Stefanski voted yea.

House Bill No. 275 by Representative Jordan

This is a continuation of the discussion on House Bill No. 275 from a meeting held on April 5, 2018. Please check for the prior action to complete the record of discussion and motions on House Bill No. 275.

Representative Jordan presented House Bill No. 275, which prohibits the intentional exposure to HIV.

On behalf of Representative Jordan, Representative Mack offered amendments to:

- (1) Remove the proposed law definition of "intentional exposure".
- (2) Add as an element of the offense that the offender knew at the time of the exposure that he was HIV positive.
- (3) Provide that the definition of police officer also included licensed emergency medical services practitioners and firefighters.
- (4) Make changes to certain affirmative defenses provided by proposed law to require the accused to disclose his HIV-positive status.
- (5) Make changes to the affirmative defense provided by proposed law which requires the victim to give consent to the action instead of "advance" consent.

Representative Mack offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 14 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Mack, Bacala, Bagneris, Crews, Dwight, Gaines, Hazel, Hodges, Howard, James, Muscarello, Norton, Pylant, and Stefanski voted yea.

Darlene Robertson, LCC, P.O. Box 445, Port Barre, LA 70577, (337) 351-5341, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 275.

Louise Bienvenue, Frontline Legal Service, 631 St. Charles Avenue, New Orleans, LA 70115, (504) 452-5224, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 275.

Chip Eakins, The Philadelphia/LCC, 2020 Centenary Boulevard, Shreveport, LA 70114, (318) 771-1636, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 275.

Cynthia Young, 855 South Flannery Road #405, Baton Rouge, LA 70815, (225) 348-5797, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 275.

Representative Bacala offered a motion to report House Bill No. 275 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 275 was reported with amendments by a vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Mack, Bacala, Crews, Dwight, Gaines, Hodges, Howard, James, Norton, and Pylant voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 6 in support and 5 in opposition. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

House Bill No. 769 by Representative Havard

Representative Havard presented House Bill No. 769, which increases penalties for the crime of introducing, possessing, or sending contraband into or from a penal institution.

Representative Pylant offered a motion to report House Bill No. 769 favorably, to which Representative Norton objected. The secretary called the roll, and House Bill No. 769 was reported favorably by a vote of 11 yeas and 2 nays. Representatives Mack, Bacala, Crews, Dwight, Gaines, Hodges, Howard, James, Terry Landry, Muscarello, and Pylant voted yea. Representatives Bagneris and Norton voted nay.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 2 in support, 1 in opposition, and 1 for information only. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

House Bill No. 526 by Representative Bagneris

Representative Bagneris presented House Bill No. 526, which provides relative to probation violations of persons on probation for a crime of violence or sex offense.

On behalf of Representative Bagneris, Representative Mack offered a technical amendment to correct the citation in the title and section heading. Representative Mack offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendment. Without objection, the amendment was adopted by a vote of 13 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Mack, Bacala, Bagneris, Crews, Dwight, Gaines, Hodges, Howard, James, Terry Landry, Muscarello, Norton, and Pylant voted yea.

Sarah Omojola, Southern Poverty Law Center, 201 St. Charles Avenue, Suite 2000, New Orleans, LA 70170, (504) 526-1520, spoke in support of House Bill No. 526.

Meghan Garvey, Orleans Public Defenders, New Orleans, LA 70119,(504) 343-7125, spoke in support of House Bill No. 526.

Daniel Tapia, First 72, 2519 Perdido Street, New Orleans, LA 70119, (504) 655-0210, spoke in support of House Bill No. 526.

Checo Yancy, VOTE, 2022 St. Bernard Avenue, New Orleans, LA 70122, (225) 270-5248, spoke in support of House Bill No. 526.

Representative Bagneris offered a motion to voluntarily defer action on House Bill No. 526. Without objection, action on House Bill No. 526 was voluntarily deferred by a vote of 15 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Mack, Bacala, Bagneris, Crews, Dwight, Gaines, Hazel, Hodges, Howard, James, Terry Landry, Marcelle, Muscarello, Norton, and Pylant voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 13 in support and 7 in opposition. Witness cards are included in committee records.

Senate Bill No. 184 by Senator Martiny

On behalf of Senator Martiny, Alton Ashy, Louisiana Video Gaming Association, 218 Laurel Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, (225) 936-1700, presented Senate Bill No. 184, which provides relative to video poker.

Representative Mack offered a technical amendment to correct internal citations. Representative Mack offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendment. Without objection, the amendment was adopted by a vote of 14 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Mack, Bacala, Bagneris, Crews, Dwight, Gaines, Hodges, Howard, James, Terry Landry, Marcelle, Muscarello, Norton, and Pylant voted yea.

Philip Guay, B.A.G.B.R., 11821 Wild Rose Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70818, (225) 279-0965, spoke in opposition to Senate Bill No. 184.

Representative Marcelle offered a motion to report Senate Bill No. 184 with amendments, to which Representative Crews objected. The secretary called the roll, and Senate Bill No. 184 was reported with amendments by a vote of 10 yeas and 3 nays. Representatives Mack, Bacala, Bagneris, Gaines, Howard, James, Terry Landry, Marcelle, Muscarello, and Norton voted yea. Representatives Crews, Hodges, and Pylant voted nay.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 2 in support, 3 in opposition, and 1 for information only. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

House Bill No. 787 by Representative James

Representative James presented House Bill No. 787, which prohibits the intentional falsification of reports or records related to criminal investigations or complaints.

Representative Mack offered a motion to report House Bill No. 787 favorably. Without objection, House Bill No. 787 was reported favorably by a vote of 13 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Mack, Bacala, Bagneris, Crews, Gaines, Hodges, Howard, James, Terry Landry, Marcelle, Muscarello, Norton, and Pylant voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 9 in support and 6 in opposition. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

House Bill No. 817 by Representative James

Representative James presented House Bill No. 817, which requires the collection and reporting of information regarding inmate participation in certain work programs.

On behalf of Representative James, Representative Mack offered amendments to:

- (1) Change the date on which the department is required to annually report to the legislature from January first to July first.
- (2) Add that the information collected and reported by the department shall include the amount of funds deposited into and disbursed from the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, Prison Enterprises Fund.

Representative Mack offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 13 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Mack, Bacala, Bagneris, Crews, Gaines, Hodges, Howard, James, Terry Landry, Marcelle, Muscarello, Norton, and Pylant voted yea.

Representative Norton offered a motion to report House Bill No. 817 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 817 was reported with amendments by a vote of 13 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Mack, Bacala, Bagneris, Crews, Dwight, Gaines, Howard, James, Terry Landry, Marcelle, Muscarello, Norton, and Pylant voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 8 in support and 1 in opposition. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

House Bill No. 809 by Representative James

On behalf of Representative James, Representative Mack offered a motion to voluntarily defer action on House Bill No. 809, which provides relative to inmate compensation and deductions from wages. Without objection, action on House Bill No. 809 was voluntarily deferred by a vote of 13 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Mack, Bacala, Bagneris, Crews, Dwight, Gaines, Howard, James, Terry Landry, Marcelle, Muscarello, Norton, and Pylant voted yea.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 2:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman Sherman Q. Mack House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice

Date adopted: